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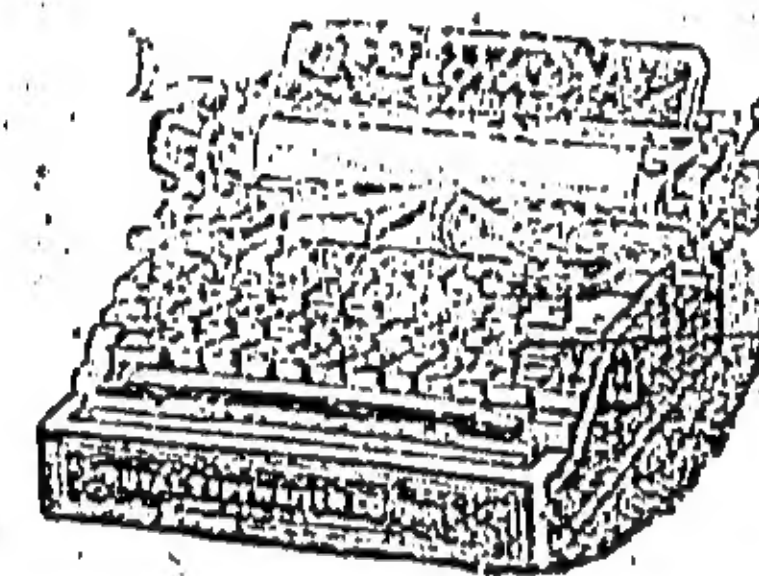
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	Oct.	Nov.-Jan.-Nov.
Allagar .....	8,556	3,877
Alor Pongau .....	2,901	15,118
Alor Galah .....	300	1,072
Alma .....	1,200	7,350
Anglo Malay .....	61,359	57,547
Ayer Kuning .....	403	2,586
Ayer Molek .....	1,073	18,833
Ayer Panas .....	1,265	7,105
Balgownie .....	8,481	9,979
Batak Rabb .....	1,718	5,563
Banteng .....	4,800	24,127
Batu Caves .....	15,572	119,612
Batu Tiga .....	11,257	75,122
Berani .....	1,100	1,500
Bertam .....	3,335	83,893
Bikam .....	1,708	20,701
Brioh .....	5,664	7,610
Bukit Kajang .....	4,753	48,291
Bukit Rajah .....	1,357	308,965
Bukit Lintang .....	691	40,810
Bukit Timah .....	4,000	6,574
Bukit K. B. .....	1,246	2,296
Bukit Chelaka .....	10,350	4,000
Carey United .....	10,350	107,050
Castlefield .....	2,312	31,108
Changkat Jendang .....	2,312	29,544
Changkat Salak .....	2,312	11,331
Cheng .....	915	3,045
Cicely .....	15,326	124,725
Consolidated Malay .....	1,902	19,020
Caledonia .....	23,641	202,868
Chumor .....	2,312	2,374
Chersonese .....	2,312	16,554
Chola .....	903	2,000
Damanara .....	410	258,200
Domblon .....	8,000	1,355
Edinburgh .....	915	61,950
Federated (Selang.) .....	24,670	91,348
F.M.S. Rubber .....	35,050	474,481
Gedang .....	2,312	117,100
Glencaly .....	2,312	19,197
Glenshal .....	2,312	19,197
Golden Hope .....	8,527	60,809
Golconda .....	12,000	104,426
Gula Kalumpung .....	627	32,800
Hal Kee .....	12,512	3,130
Harpender .....	608	81,645
Haylor .....	1,384	2,128
Heawood .....	48,753	61,561
High & Lowlands .....	16,269	459,573
Inch Kenneth .....	781	146,301
Indragiri .....	450	4,663
Jimah .....	2,312	150
Jugra .....	23,850	60,383
Jebong .....	2,312	186,250
Kapar Para .....	9,800	97,816
Kampong .....	5,350	147,672
Kempsey .....	359	27,334
Kepong .....	5,350	31,659
Kiebag .....	359	1,475
Kota Tinggi .....	5	4,998
Kuala Klang .....	3,507	16,391
Kurau .....	4,100	13,765
Krian Rub. Est. .....	4,100	29,554
Kuala Lumpur .....	5,450	455,755
Kuala Selangor .....	7,000	7,000
Laba .....	20,101	181,288
Lamadra .....	28,425	339,918
Ledbury .....	10,281	121,761
Linggi .....	82,000	751,500
London Asiatic .....	10,777	131,655
Malaka Pinda .....	511	1,194
Malacca Plant .....	35,000	255,000
Mandal Tekong .....	720	2,361
Merton .....	2,434	10,741
New Serendah .....	731	2,154
New Singapore .....	80	480
North Hammock .....	41,018	41,018
Nova Scotia .....	83,405	83,405
Padaeng Jawa .....	920	920
Pajam .....	3,000	29,700
Pantai .....	389	1,391
Petaling .....	30,620	265,541
Pegoh .....	5,171	41,000
Pengkalan Durian .....	985	5,349
Perak Plant .....	1,550	98,888
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Radalla .....	1,550	22,415
Rembia .....	1,415	9,031
Riba Rubber .....	7,027	54,853
Rubana .....	21,550	131,779
Ratan .....	2,500	16,554
Rber Growers Assn. .....	3,997	25,830
St. Helena .....	170	1,165
Sengat .....	9,000	72,778
Selaba .....	9,000	55,108
Sungai Choh .....	4,550	47,427
Sungai Kapar .....	10,469	120,156
Sundcroft .....	10,469	87,766
Safeld .....	1,550	18,504
Selangor .....	24,387	237,759
Seremban .....	818	3,557
Sembawang .....	8,168	6,144
Shelford .....	10,000	11,000
Sports & Johore .....	14,421	16,077
Singapore Para .....	5,250	53,025
Straits Rubber .....	44,155	240,000
Sungai Salak .....	5,685	26,840
Sungai Way .....	10,118	47,059
Sungai Chumor .....	1,389	6,763
Sunport .....	870	2,616
Tambak .....	970	4,175
Tanjong Melim .....	800	5,950
Telik Anson .....	1,050	6,789
Tali Ayer .....	14,483	107,319
Tafalar .....	318	2,051
Tremelby .....	500	33,863
Talping .....	530	2,451
Ulu Pandan .....	530	2,451
United Singapore .....	2,228	15,747
United Somatra .....	5,400	41,350
Valambona .....	2,228	2,228

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**The Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1911.

## COLLAPSES IN THE COLONY.

The Government of this Colony is confronted to-day with one of the most serious problems it has ever been called upon to solve. It is that which relates to the many properties in Hongkong which are evidently as dangerous to the passer-by as to the residents. Recent collapses have revealed a deplorable state of affairs. The present age has to suffer for the misdeeds of the past. What course will be pursued by the Government in regard to these residential properties remains to be seen. A ramble along some of the thoroughfares of this colony is an object lesson of the criminal negligence of many men in years gone by. The jerry-builder must have revelled in this little rugged island of ours, and to many observers it seems almost incomprehensible that such a saturnalia of criminal construction could be carried on under the eyes of a staff of Europeans, and under the supervision of European architects. There is no record here of Hongkong having suffered from any seismic disturbance; the long list of collapses, as well as that of the property which is in a dangerous condition, punctuated by one fact which must be cudgelled into the governmental mind, and that is, that the erection of property in the past has not had that measure of rigorous supervision which both the owner and the occupant were fully entitled to. There is a stream of criticism in the Colony to-day which has been occasioned by an unprecedented number of collapses, with the inevitable loss of life. This criticism is not of a carping nature, but rather of a suggestive character. It is universally recognised that the unsightly shoring, to be observed in many quarters of the city, is by no means an advertisement for the colony, neither does it add to the picturesque quality of our streets. It militates against the attractiveness of Hongkong. The authorities must devise and religiously carry out some scheme whereby the dangerous property must be rebuilt, and the public thereby be protected. This will entail the expenditure of a great deal of money and property owners are likely to be impressed with the hardship, but we see no other alternative than the dismantling of residences whose walls ominously gape. The lesson of the immediate past should im-

part knowledge to those officials who are concerned with building construction in the colony. Every effort has been made to see that the mortar used is of the proper quality, but it is impossible to anticipate that in every case the letter and the spirit of the law are carried into effect. On the one hand property owners have been conscious of the fact that both labour and materials have increased in cost when compared with the rates which existed a few years ago, and there is a close study of economy whenever tenders are invited; whilst on the other hand we have the Chinese contractor who, having been entrusted with the work, lives up to his traditions in extracting, by every means, as much profit as possible out of the job. Again the supervision must be of a casual character, as a small army of inspectors would be required if every building in course of construction in the colony were to be regularly and frequently visited. The Government is confronted with a perplexing problem, which demands, in the public interest, an early and satisfactory solution.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Italian cruiser, *Catania*, arrived in Manila on the 6th.

Mr. Hassan, of Coanell Bros., returned to Manila to-day by the *Rubi*.

GENERAL BELL takes over the command of the Philippine Army on Friday.

PAUL ZINK was to race C. V. Stallman for the championship of the Philippines at the Iris rink last week.

Two men were fined \$40 each this morning for having a quantity of opium in their possession without a valid certificate.

MR. D. R. LAW (formerly of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) returned to the Colony to-day by the *Taiyuan* from Australia.

FOURTEEN days' hard and four hours' stocks were awarded a coolie this morning for the larceny of a quantity of wood at Chung Sa Wan.

THE local share market is much brighter this week. There is a strong demand for many local stocks, and traders are once more hopeful.

OPIMUM to the value of £30,000 was found in barrels of lime blacking in Manila last week. Ten barrels of the blacking arrived there by the *Taiyang*.

SERGEANTS Moore, Appleton and Baker of the Hongkong Police, have signed on for another five years. They will be leaving for home on the 8th of February.

MR. GRAVES, vice-president and manager of the Manila Tramways, left to-day by the *Sui Tai* for Hongkong for a few days.

THE Ministry of Finance of the Provisional Government in Portugal was to issue a decree on Dec. 15th calling for the payment of one-third of all customs duties in gold.

A CHINESE was sentenced to three months' hard and four hours' stocks at the Police Court for snatching a purse and \$1.50 in money. Mr. Otto Kung Sing defended.

MRS. KAW, Capt. Innes (military supt. of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire), and Mrs. Farmer and family (Macao Hotel) were among the passengers who arrived to-day by the *Taiyuan*.

MR. LEUNG YU HO, Taoist of Shanghai and Tientsin, together with a party of Chinese gentlemen, paid a visit to the Oriental Bazaar on Saturday. They were greatly impressed with the equipment of the place.

It is gratifying to note that the Police are seeking to obtain the co-operation of local employers in the matter of private watchmen with a view to ensure their being more watchful and alert in the discharge of their duties.

A CHINESE fitter was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's court this morning with being a rogue and a vagabond and with stealing a piece of brass valued at \$10, from the Hongkong and Whampoa Docks at Huenghom. Evidence was called and his Worship discharged the defendant.

A CHINESEMAN who was banished from the Colony in 1907 was arrested yesterday at Tai Ping Shan for stealing a jacket from a matchbox. He was brought before Mr. E. R. Hallifax this morning and his Worship passed sentence of six weeks for stealing the jacket and one year for returning from banishment.

THIRTY-nine men were arrested by Det. Sergt. Wei last night in an opium den at 17, Square Street. They were brought up at the Magistrate's court this morning, one for keeping and the remainder for smoking in the den. After hearing the evidence, his Worship ordered the keeper to pay a fine of \$100 and the remainder \$25 each.

A LARGE model of one of the P. & O. steamers which has been on view at the Nanking exhibition—has been presented by the P. & O. Co. through Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, to the Hongkong Hotel. It is one of two models made at great expense in England, one of them being presented to an hotel in Shanghai. The complete model is in a large glass case, and will be on view in the hotel at an early date.

## Big Blaze at Chung Sha Wan.

ENTIRE VILLAGE PRACTICALLY DESTROYED.

PIGS ROASTED TO DEATH.

Misfortunes seldom come singly. For about the sixth time during the past few weeks, the fire-bell again sounded its note of alarm. The latest outbreak occurred shortly after half-past four this morning. The scene of the conflagration was a village in Chung Sha Wan. This village is known as Ap mi-liu, close to Sam-nu-pu. Both the local brigades promptly turned out, but nothing could be done and the only course left open under the circumstances was to lock on, as the flames had spread too far ahead on the village to be successfully grappled with by the fire fighters. No water was available and neither could sea-water be obtained as the tide had gone out long before the conflagration. The brigade tried to pull down as much of the burning matter as was possible in order to prevent the fire from spreading, the frail buildings going up like matchwood before the fire. No engines could be taken to the spot owing to the absence of roads. By the time the fire had burnt itself out, almost half the village was destroyed, including several boat-building sheds. The only unfortunate incident connected with the fire was the roasting of a large number of pigs, whose agonised squealing filled the air with sounds of nightmare. The fire presented a magnificent sight from a spectacular point of view, huge tongues of flame shooting high up into the air, presenting to view a bright lit-up background for a considerable distance.

We understand that some of the damaged buildings are covered by insurance, but so far the extent of the damage has not been ascertainable.

## TO-NIGHT'S VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

To intending patrons of to-night's charitable function, the following synopsis of the Chinese theatricals which have been arranged to be produced may be of interest—

Liu Tzi-hui, a wealthy man, purchases an earthenware doll for his child who accidentally breaks it. A maid next morning, having missed scavenging coals, implies the contents of the doll, among which are the broken doll and a dead hen, beside a sleeping rogue and a vagabond named Mau Suk who is in the habit of sleeping in the open space in the rear of Liu's house. Pleg Ko, a brother-rogue, steals the dead hen from Mau Suk. Mau Suk sticks the pieces of the doll together, places it in the middle of the road in order to get some passers-by to knock it down so that he can claim a heavy compensation for breaking his "valuable curio." One of Liu's two sons on their way to school accidentally runs over the patched-up doll. An altercation ensues between Mau Suk and the maid accompanying the boys. Mau Suk blows his whistle, and two policemen take the party away. While Mrs. Liu, the boy's mother, is about to pay a sum of money to Mau Suk as compensation, Liu comes home, recognises his own broken doll, and drives away Mau Suk. Shortly afterwards Mau Suk sneaks into the house again, steals some wine, gets drunk, and is discovered, tied up and removed.

## MORTGAGES TO FOREIGNERS IN CANTON.

VICEREGAL ACTION.

His Excellency Yuan Shu-fu, ex-Viceroy of the Two Kwangs, had, during his tenure of office, drafted a series of regulations governing the practice of the mortgaging of their properties by Chinese merchants to foreigners for the purpose of securing loans from them. In view of the diplomatic complications resulting, H. E. has sent to each of the Consuls at Shanghai a copy, and has requested them to advise their respective nationals accordingly, besides notifying the Minister for Foreign Affairs to keep a record. While the Ministry was considering the enforcement of these measures, the French Acting Minister in Peking sent in a communication. According to the French Minister, he has received from the French Minister at Peking a copy of these prescribed rules. His Excellency the French Minister is of opinion that the enforcement of these regulations will doubtless confer mutual benefits to those concerned. That the matter is of much importance is shown by the fact that the regulations should have been framed according to the laws of China and should not have been drawn up by the High Authorities of the Provinces at their own free will. If the import of the regulations framed in one province cannot be applied to another, misrepresentations and disputes will inevitably arise. The Ministry quite agrees with the opinion expressed by the French Minister and will consider the framing of

## NEW REGULATIONS

which can be universally enforced in every province. His Excellency the new Viceroy received a despatch from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs requesting him to render null and void such regulations as have been prepared by his predecessor. The Viceroy has instructed his juniors accordingly.

## GAMBLING RAID.

Shortly after nine o'clock last night, Detective-Sergeant Sullivan and a force of detectives made a raid on a gambling den at 108, Des Vaux Road Central, and arrested twenty-seven men for playing *Ngau Pat*. The gamblers were charged at the Magistrate's court this morning before Mr. J. R. Wood. One of the keepers is a seaman on the *Tamara*. Mr. Otto Kung Sing appeared for the defence and pleaded guilty on behalf of all the defendants. His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 on each of the keepers and the remainder were fined \$4 each.

## TOWN GOSSIP.

It is a graceful act on the part of the Y.C.M.A. to arrange a little function as a farewell to Sir Henry and Lady May. Both the governor-elect of Fiji and his wife have always taken a keen pleasure in supporting the work of the Association. The "social" takes place on Monday in the Y.M.C.A. rooms at 9 o'clock. Mrs. Atkinson is arranging a musical programme. I am ignorant whether there is a branch of the Association within the coming sphere of Sir Henry's social activities, but if there be, its gain will be the local branch's loss, for much of the popularity of the literary evenings here was due to Sir Henry May's energy and personality.

The Bijou Theatre was filled to overflowing on Saturday evening, when a very pleasing programme was presented. I am a strong supporter of these clean and clever places of amusement, and I am sure my readers will agree that they are a distinct social and moral benefit to the Colony. They act as a corrective, or counter-attraction to places of which the least said is the soonest mended. The Bishop of London recently recognised in a public speech. Some difference of opinion may exist as to the justification of Sunday performances; but at least these latter are, to my mind, better far than those idle evenings on which mischief may be found for us to do.

There are three military bands in the northern city of Tientsin—the Innstilling's, the Indian regiment's and the French. They play twice a week, and on Sundays in Victoria Park, much to the enjoyment of the public, who flock to hear the music.

I feel impelled to ask why this go-ahead city should never, except on public occasions, benefit by the presence of two military bands? It is not that the uniformed bandsmen are too selfish to give us a little of their art—of that I am sure. The men would be very willing to play for us poor civilians, and if a band-night were arranged weekly, and the cricket ground used as the *mus en scene*, a small entrance fee would be willingly paid, although, of course, it could not legally be enforced. I am sure the Editor would be glad to have my readers' opinions on the subject.

I may be pardoned for again referring to the inadequacy of the Fire Brigade's appliances in view of the serious fire last week-end. I was present at the blaze almost from the first alarm, and with all respect for the energy and ardour of the Brigade, I am sufficiently acquainted with fire fighting to say without hesitation that it should have been put out in less than half the time, with a consequent reduction of the damage. The fault was not altogether the personnel's, but rather the archaic machines they work with. On the other hand I saw one incident that caused a by-stander (he may have been suffering from loss, poor fellow), to ask if we were present at a Church parade or a fire. I refer to the arrival of the first engine.

In the first place, it was more than an hour behind time. Do not ask me why. I don't know. Perhaps it was being polished up so as to look pretty. Then it arrived amid shouts and *banquets* via Lee House Street, the lower end of which was blocked by three lines of hose, the only water supply then on hand. The water was cut off, the hose removed from the hydrant, and the engine proceeded majestically on its way to the water front.

Now there is no excuse for this sort of thing. Delay may be explained, since to drag by hand a heavy engine is not as rapid a performance as falling off a log. But with an adequate force (not overworked by any means) it should surely be simple to station at salient points men who would direct the engine to a route that would not necessitate a cessation of hostilities. What is wanted is a regular brigade with proper appliances. Insurance companies, please note.

It has become the habit of a certain class of writers to harp upon the precociousness of the modern child, its boredom with the amusements that delighted the last generation, and so forth. I was then they could have heard a small friend of mine wisely say the other day if pantomimes would ever come to Hongkong. Since then I have asked other small people who have never been beyond the confines of the Colony if they would like to see a pantomime, and I can assure local purveyors of stage art that if something in the nature of a real "panto" were produced next year it would have many clients. The young people of the Colony are not well-provided with amusement, and it would be an interesting and very kindly step on the part of the A.D.O. if it devoted its talents to the perfecting of a fairy extravaganza for next year. There are many among us who are quite capable of writing the words, who will step into the breach?

## FLANEUR.

## BOXING.

KID PARKER IN MANILA.

Kid Parker, who recently arrived in Manila from Shanghai, is arranging to open a boxing school there. Parker is a clever instructor, and has a splendid record gained in his numerous bouts in the States and in China. His only defeat in the last was at the hands of Bill Lewis, who, from all accounts, had the worst of the mill until the fatal ten was told on Parker. Parker is most anxious for another bout with Lewis, and wishes to box under a winner take all arrangement, says the "Manila Times."

Parker is anxious also to appear before the Manila public, and is willing to box any middleweight in the Philippine Islands.

## COMING OF THE CARNIVAL.

WHAT HONGKONG IS DOING.

We understand that increased interest has been awakened locally in the Manila Carnival, which is to be held next month. At a meeting of the Polo Club last week a discussion took place as to what action the members would take in sending a representative team. One team of four men, and probably a substitute, is assured, and hopes are held out that it may be possible to have a "B" team also. This all depends on the supply of ponies in Manila. So far as the "A" team is concerned, there is not a shadow of a doubt but that the Hongkong gentlemen can have at their disposal three ponies each, and it remains to be seen now whether a second team can be similarly accommodated.

Their reception in Manila is bound to be of a most enthusiastic character, and this spirit of good sportsmanship will find a warm echo in the Philippines. If both teams can be accommodated—and negotiations to this end are now being carried on—there will be a fine show of Hongkong sportsmen at the Carnival this year.

The gentlemen who will probably represent Hongkong are—  
Mr. John Jones, J.C.  
Capt. F. C. Jones, R.A.  
Commander Lamb, R.N.  
Lieut. Percy Noble, R.N.  
Capt. Hughes, R.N.  
Mr. C. Lawder.

The band of the Rajputs, under the conductorship of Bandmaster Coke, will once more proceed to Manila. They had an excellent reception in 1909. This year, arrangements will probably be made for the band to give concerts in the huge Hippodrome.

Athletics generally is also receiving the attention of the military authorities. Some of the best sportsmen will probably go over, and be pitted against those of the island. Of course, it is recognised that there is no worthy successor here to Lord Andrews.

Possibly, an effort will be made to get up a shooting team from the Rajputs and Maharajas, the men to meet a similar team of Filipinos.

We learn that there is a probability of the Austrian cruiser, *Frans Josef*, proceeding to Manila for the Carnival week, and some of the German cruisers will also be in Philippine waters.

## HYGIENE TEAM COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLS.

The result of the annual Hygiene Competition which was held in December has now been published. There were 16 competing teams with 135 competitors. The Bellifos Public School obtained the first place, and is accordingly entitled to hold the Sefeld during 1911.

The compiler who obtained the greatest number of marks, Miss Shin Tak-hing, was a member of the winning team.

## ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

A Committee meeting will be held at the Club to-morrow afternoon, at 5 p.m. to discuss final arrangements in connection with the Regatta on the 21st inst.

## OPIUM FOUND ON BIG STEAMER.

Seattle, Dec. 6.—Customs officers searching the Great Northern steamship *Minnesota* to-day, found twenty-five tons of smoking opium wrapped in a gunnysack and hidden under the crankshaft of the ship.

To-day the whole crew of the boat were lined up on the deck while the customs officers continued their search.

The officials have been advised that there are \$15,000 worth of opium and 30 smuggled Chinese on the *Minnesota*, which is the largest cargo boat on the Pacific Ocean.

## FILIPINOS IN HONGKONG.

The expatriated Filipinos in Hongkong, Ricarte, Vicente Sotto and others, write to *La Vanguardia* as follows:—

"The Filipino colony in Hongkong has received with delicious enthusiasm the plausible idea of sending our firm patriot Colonel Sandico to the United States to take advantage of the recent Democratic victory to labor for our immediate independence."

"Of a truth we are all pessimists here. We have but little faith in the American people, Republicans or Democrats."

"We expatriated Filipinos are all of the same opinion as our renowned General Ricarte; that our independence must come through other channels, as is demonstrated by history."

In continuation these members of the Filipino colony promise to give Sandico a warm reception on his arrival there en route to the United States. The reception is to be held at the Astor House and among the speakers will be Ricarte, who will exchange Sandico with things that cannot be spoken of aloud in the Philippines, without exposing oneself to life imprisonment in Bilibid.

## LAUNCH FOR CHINA SUGAR CO.

BUILT AT THE KOWLOON YARD.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., yesterday launched from their Huenghom yard another fine modelled launch which is such a special feature of the Hongkong harbour. The Dock Co.'s latest creation was built to the order of the China Sugar Refining Co. and designed after the steam-launch *Tweed* belonging to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., who are the general managers of the China Sugar Co. The fact that Messrs. Jardine have placed this fresh order for a replica of the *Tweed* attests to the high quality of the work of the Dock Co.'s work.

## ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY.

JAPANESE FRUSTRATE AN OUTRAGE.

A case of attempted robbery occurred last night at about 6 p.m. at 171, Wanchai Road. It appears that two men went up this building to the second floor, which was occupied by a Japanese family. They knocked at the door and asked for the boy and on learning that he would return about 6 p.m. they left. They entered the flat later and knocked again. When the door was opened, they rushed in and seized a Japanese woman by the throat. Somehow or other, she managed to raise an alarm, which brought the occupants on the first floor rushing up. They arrested one of the robbers in the act of making his escape. The other succeeded in evading capture.

## ALLEGED KIDNAPPING OF CHINESE YOUTH.

PARENTS FIND THEIR CHILD ON MACAO BOAT.

A Chinese man was arrested on board the *Sui Tai* for kidnapping a little boy five years of age, and was charged at the Magistrate's court morning before Mr. J. R. Wood. It appears that the defendant lived in a house in Second Street, West Point, with the complainant. The other day, he invited the youth to tea but instead of giving the boy a treat, he took him on board the *Sui Tai* to proceed to Macao. Meanwhile, the lad's parents were anxiously awaiting his return, and, feeling impatient, they rushed on board the boat in the hope of finding their child. They arrived on board just five minutes before the boat's departure. A search was made and the man was arrested. They boy was handed back to his parents.

Evidence was called and his Worship committed the defendant for trial at the next session.

## AUTOMOBILES FOR HONGKONG.

By the *Rubi* to-day there went to Manila Mr. J. W. Nicol, who has been in Hongkong for some days. He has come here from San Francisco, and has now on the way to Hongkong a dozen cars which he hopes to carry on here an automobile traction business.

He has secured suitable premises, and will open at an early date. He visits a relative in Manila in connection with this new branch in Hongkong.

## MAGAZINE OF COMMERCE.

At the annual dinner of the China Association, Mr. W. Kerwick, M.P., who presided, referred to the evergreen subject of the regeneration of China, a phrase which has supplemented the "Chinese Peril" of a few years back. We have heard so much about this regeneration, and nothing seems to happen, that some scepticism may be pardoned. The truth, however, seems to be that the regenerating process is no myth, but is advancing slowly, without any of these exciting episodes which fix popular attention, such as occurred in the theatrical revolution in Portugal. None the less, the demand of the Young Chinese for a national Parliament is a sign of the times. Another progressive step, little noticed in this country, is the conclusion of the treaty between Russia and Japan, and between Japan and China, under which, as Mr. Kerwick pointed out, Manchuria is becoming one of the great centres of export to the country. Changes of this kind make for the regeneration of China, and will enable her to hold her own among the nations of the world. So far as her trade with this country is concerned, the China Association, which is now in its twenty-first year, is doing excellent work in promoting the interests of British traders. It represents an important body of business men, and is always heard with complimentary consideration by the Foreign Office.

## MISHAP ON S.S. "MINNESOTA."

ONE PASSENGER LOST.

On the night of the 1st inst., the Head Office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha received information from the G. N. S. S. *Minnesota* by wireless telegraphy, the substance of which is as follows:—

"The steamer is at a position about 700 miles from Yokohama, encountering strong head winds. An accident has occurred to one of her shafts and the propeller has been lost. Thus we are unable to give the exact date of our arrival at Yokohama."

Dr. Antonio Maria Regidor, a famous character in the latter day history of the Philippines, has died in London. Dr. Regidor came into prominence in Philippine history at the time of his deposition by the Spanish government as a political agitator, said to have been connected with the Cavite revolution of 1872. From that time his name has been inseparably connected with such famous names as those of Andres Borgia, Zamora and Gomez, of Jose Basa, who died a few years ago in Hongkong.

THE *Philippine Journal of Science* for October has just come to hand. It contains several interesting articles dealing with cholera. The most interesting contribution, however, is that dealing with the use of "606" in the treatment of yaws, a disease prevalent in the Philippines, and though very contagious, and difficult to treat, a single injection of the remedy, dioxo-diamido-arsenobenzol, was, in each case, sufficient to produce a cure, even though ulceration had taken place. This new remedy of Professor Ehrlich's, commonly known as "606," is as important a specific for yaws as quinine is for malaria. Therefore, a fourth medicinal specific in medicine has been discovered.



## AMERICAN NEWS.

[Via Manila.]

Washington, January 6.—Representative Nicholas L. Longworth has prepared a bill providing for a permanent tariff board. The bill specifies five members. It is drawn at the suggestion of President Taft and will be presented as an administration measure.

Washington, January 6.—California is greatly roused over the report of the War College that the Japanese could land in the State and destroy its chief city with little difficulty under the present condition of defenses on the Pacific Coast. The State has asked the Federal Government for additional defenses. The delegation in Congress are urged by the citizens of the State to present the matter with all possible force in their respective houses.

Washington, January 5.—The Maine legislature has chosen A. V. Johnson to succeed Senator Eugene Hale in the United States Senate. Johnson is a democrat.

New York, January 5.—The New York World yesterday published a dispatch from its representative in Mexico in which it was asserted that Japan is negotiating for a naval base on all the Pacific Coast. According to the World's correspondent Mexico and Japan are now concluding a treaty and one of the provisions of the treaty will be a concession of a base to the Japanese on Mexican territory. The publication of the story has created considerable comment.

Boston, Massachusetts, January 6.—Governor-elect Eugene Foss was inaugurated yesterday. In his inaugural address Governor Foss advocated rigid reform in the government of the State and retrenchment in the expenditures and public money.

Washington, 7th January.—President Taft has invited Edith Grey, the governor general of the Dominion of Canada, to a conference on the question of reciprocity between the two countries. The Earl has not yet replied to the invitation but the prevailing opinion is that the conference will be held in the near future and that the interests of the United States and the Dominion greatly benefited thereby.

Washington, 7th January.—Congressman Martin yesterday cross-examined Commissioner Worcester and Attorney General Villamor before the committee for the investigation of the sale of the islands. The examination was a long and rigid one and marked by many sharp passages. The examination of Commissioner Worcester was particularly marked for the searching questions and sharp retorts.

The committee yesterday took a recess until Wednesday of next week when the investigation will be resumed.

Washington, 7th January.—President Taft yesterday declared himself on the question of imprisonment for the heads of trusts and corporations found guilty of violating the laws of the country. The President takes the ground that fines are not effective when imposed on criminals of great wealth and advocates a law providing for jail sentences for such offences and such offenders as the only way to make it effective.

## FIVE MILLIONS LOST BY CUSTOMS FRAUDS.

U.S. GOVERNMENT SAID TO HAVE BEEN CHEATED OUT OF FIVE MILLION BY THE ART DEALERS.

The Chronicle of December 6th says:—Five million dollars is the amount of duties out of which the Government was defrauded by Duveen Brothers, art importers of 331 Fifth Avenue, so it was reported to-day, the Custom-house invoice showed. The member of the firm, Benjamin J. Duveen, and his uncle, Henry J. Duveen, were arrested on October 17th for alleged undervaluing of goods. It was estimated then that the duties lost through this means would aggregate \$5,000,000. Seizure of the books of the firm revealed by comparison with the Custom-house invoices that the loss will be five times that figure, it was said.

It came out to-day that Henry J. Duveen, head of the firm, had been permitted to deposit for England, after he had deposited a money bond of \$75,000 with Commissioner Shields. He went on to raise money to lift the \$500,000 bond that has been imposed on his Fifth Avenue store. The Government took possession immediately after the arrests and expects to recover at least \$1,000,000 from the stock.

## TALK OF BIG FLEET ALARMS JAPANESE.

TOKIO NEWSPAPER TAKES NOTE OF HOSTILE UTTERANCES FROM UNITED STATES.

Victoria, B. C., December 9.—That Japan must prepare for war with the United States is the text of an article published by the Tokio Nippon, and received here by the steamer Naniwa.

The Nippon quotes an anonymous Japanese vice-admiral as saying that, however regrettable the fact may be, it is none the less, incontrovertible that the danger of a breach between Japan and a Western power comes chiefly from America's attitude.

"In vain do statesmen and enlightened publicists on each side preach the necessity and demonstrate the reality of mutual friendship," says the Nippon. "None the less, from time to time, and even with growing iteration, come from the United States mutterings of hostility which at any moment may develop a strength too great for official denial."

"Japanese must be prepared for that contingency. She must ask herself what objective this element of United States citizens have in view when they advocate the expenditure of enormous sums in furnishing the Pacific with a big fleet, of creating a powerful army on the Pacific slope, of building a huge canal and naval station in Hawaii, and of fortifying the Philippines, Hawaii and Panama. Unwilling as Japan may be to believe in any quarrel with her old friend, it would be madness for her to shut her eyes to facts which stare her in the face."

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

ROBBERY AND PIRACY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 10th January.

Shiu-Lin and the places drained by the Pak Kiang (tributary of the Pearl River) provide shelters for robbers and pirates. A month ago, many of the villages were ransacked in broad daylight. Recently, trading junks on these waters were frequently stopped, and the vessels with their merchandise were seized and disposed of. During the last few days more daring piracies have occurred. Many junks fully loaded with paddy, rice, manure, and oil from Yung Yuen to Fat Shan where the goods were to be sold were pirated while passing near the foot of the Ying Tak Island. The whereabouts of the pirated vessels and the crew are still shrouded in mystery. It is the intention of the merchants to petition the Canton Viceroy for the total eradication of the sea robbers.

THE CANTON PRESS SOCIETY has received a letter from the Books and News Reading Society in the District of Ching Yuen which states as follows:—The commander of troops stationed in Pua Shuk Ching Yuen District, one day passed the Wong Fa village in Ying Tak with his men, while on his way to an unknown place to capture robbers. They ransacked the village whole and got hold of some of the villagers to carry the booty for them. Fortunately, there were no soldiers in the village, except those of hawkers. When they reached Wong Chai village they entered a house of the Liu family, and houses of other families. Under the pretext that they were on a search for robbers, they started looting the village. One villager was shot in the arm and was murdered in cold blood, his head being cut off. A woman of the Liu family was ill at the time and was lying in bed. She was outraged by the soldiers and nearly died of the shock. As before, the soldiers seized the villagers and forced them to carry their booty. The soldiers paid them 20 cents each for a trouble, and they returned to their quarters. The mother of deceased and the victims of the robbery reported the occurrence to the Magistrate of Ching Yuen, and asked him to repair to the scene to conduct an inquiry. At the same time they telegraphed to Admiral Li Chun about the outrage. His Excellency despatched Magistrate Shi, and Commander Lai of the guards on the railway to the scene. The two officials were ordered to conduct an inquiry with the local authorities of Ching Yuen and report.

The spy for the robbers, who had at one time been a robber, was brought up and questioned by Magistrate Shi. He deposed that the man who had been killed by the soldiers was Hui Chun Pak and not Sing Sui Lam. He further told the Magistrate that the decoy of was wanted for having committed several crimes, and was a notorious robber. When asked by the Magistrate whether he knew Sing Sui Lam, he replied in the negative. When asked why the soldiers had not arrested the wounded man for trial, instead of cutting off his head, the spy replied that he could not give the reason. It is conjectured that the witness had been bribed by the soldiers to make this deposition. Last the grievance of deceased mother, and the victims of the robbery be not got over, the Books and News-reading Society in Ching Yuen District request the editors of the Canton Press Society to take up the matter, in the hope that the soldiers who have acted contrary to discipline will be punished.

FIRE IN HONAM. At noon on the 7th inst. a ship dealing in assorted cakes at No. 100 Hung Tak Street, Honam, suddenly caught fire caused by the carelessness of those who were cooking cakes at the time. The conflagration took a very short time to spread, and consumed several houses between the burning shop and the exact number opposite.

SLAUGHTERING OF ANIMALS. It is reported that His Excellency Viceroy Cheng is not at all satisfied with the submitted returns of revenues collected in connection with the taxation on the slaughtering of animals in the province of Kwong Tung. His Excellency is of opinion that the amount of a little over Taels 200,000 being the actual collection, is far too small, in comparison with what is derived from the same source in the Province of Kwong, where this tax brings in over Taels 6,000,000 annually. Moreover, the trade in the Province of Kwong Tung is larger and more prosperous than in Kwong Tung. His Excellency fails to understand why the Farmer has repeatedly applied for a reduction of the sum paid to the Government, and has instructed the Provincial Treasurer personally to effect certain reforms, and requests the Farmer to increase the payment to the Government with a view to swelling the revenue from this source.

MORE ROBBERY. Wong Yew Ping, a daring thief, entered the Pua U Magistrate's, a few days ago and was stopped by the sentry. He told the guard that he was an employee in the Yamen. Believing the man's words, the sentry let him in. He then entered the dress-making room and after secretly stealing two dollars, escaped. Seeing that his adventure was attended with success, the bold ruffian made a second attempt, which, however, proved futile and was caught by the sentry in the act of pursuing his nefarious job. He deposed that the deputy in the Treasury Department was his friend, and he was willing to refund the stolen money to the victim. He was then sent under escort to the Treasury Department for identification. The deputy who had been alleged to be the prisoner's friend, denied the allegation, and the prisoner was brought back to the Magistrate and remanded.

ATHLETIC SPORTS. The Canton athletic sports will be held at the Eastern Parade Ground, on the 14th and 15th inst. It is certain that, in view of the large number of entries, and the variety of races, for

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for the afternoon, every bling will go to make the athletic meeting a success. The function is expected to attract a large number of spectators.

THE SILK MARKET.

News has reached here from Fat Shan that the silk market there has been showing signs of activity. Since winter set in, the price per ounce has risen from 2 maces, 6 candareens to 3 maces, 3 candareens. This rise has never been equalled before. It is reported that the unfavorable crop accounts for it to a certain extent. Moreover, a very small stock remains in the market. During the last month and tenth moons, money had been very tight, and consequently, not much work was done in silting. Recently, the foreign silk exports were in urgent need of replenishment. As a result, the speculators are trying to get the business into their own hands, hence the rise in the price of this product. At present the price maintains its steadiness, and there is little hope for a fluctuation for some months to come.

VILLAGE ROBBERY.

Some days ago, the Tai Ping Cheung village near the Pua U District was surprised and raided by robbers. Fortunately, the shop-people in this village heard of the projected attack and promptly turned out to defend the place. A severe encounter ensued, and the plunderers were overpowered and repulsed. A robber was wounded and taken prisoner. He was handed over to the local authorities, who had him sent up to the Pua U Magistrate for trial. The prisoner admitted his guilt of having taken part in the robbery.

A QUESTION OF FORTIFICATION.

His Excellency Admiral Li Chun, seeing that forts have already been established along the upper banks of the Tung Kiang (tributary of the Pearl River), thinks it necessary to have similar fortifications along the places from Shek Lung to Koon Yam Koi, forming the lower bank of the Tung Kiang. Moreover, piracy in these waters is very rife. Settling fire to vessels, killing "hewies" and looting passenger-boats are acts of frequent occurrence. Urgent effective reforms are at once resorted to, not only will merchants and travellers experience uneasiness in using this route but brigandage will increase daily. His Excellency has divided this waterway into sections. At each section there will be stationed forty soldiers. This arrangement will enable the stations to build up a powerful force, and check the progress of the marauders. Trading vessels and passenger boats in tow of steam-launches will have to be anchored at a place near one of the sections with a view to ensuring protection. His Excellency has submitted a detailed report of the arrangements to His Excellency the Viceroy for examination and approval.

## WORLD'S NEWS.

[From N. C. D. News]

HOAR AULE.

London, Jan. 6.—Mr. John Redmond, leader of the Nationalist Party, in an article on Home Rule in "Reynold's Newspaper," which is chiefly devoted to the Ulster question, says that Ulster as a whole is forty-four per cent Catholic and therefore half for Home Rule.

He says that the threats of armed resistance are as absurd as the fear that Ulster will be persecuted. Mr. Redmond disputes the assertion that Ulster represents the wealth and intelligence of Ireland.

DISTRESS IN TURKISTAN.

London, January 6.—The earthquake shocks at Viyerny in Turkistan still continue. Nearly every building in the town has been damaged and a hundred families are homeless.

THE PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

A QUESTION OF TERMS.

Peking, January 6.—Messrs. Dunn, Fisher and Co., have arranged to take up the balance—about \$3,000,000—of the Peking-Hankow Railway (reimbursement) Loan on terms similar to those in connection with the previous issue. The Waiwaps states that the Chinese Government accepts full liability and responsibility for these bonds, and points out that this is a domestic issue, not a foreign loan. It is understood that another issue, without (hypothecation of) railway profits, is probable. —N. C. D. News.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Teking, January 6. The British Minister in Peking has notified the Wai Wap that the new agreement for prohibiting the opium trade will be negotiated in London. The Wai Wap has prepared to ask the Throne to send a special Commissioner to London to co-operate with H. E. L. Ho Ying-ching, the Chinese Minister in London, in carrying on the negotiations with the British Government.—S. S. S. S. S.

## CONCERTACADEMIE.

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## WATER RETURN.

Level and storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st January, 1911.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1910.	1911.
Tytam.....	5' 7 1/2" below	5' 5 3/8" below
Tytam Byewash.....	2' 2" below	2' 3 3/8" below
Tytam Intermediate.....	2' 4" above	3' 4" below
Pokfulum.....	7' 4 1/2" below	17' 4 1/2" below
Wong-nai-chung.....	26' 0" below	33' 8 1/2" below

STORAGE GALLONS.

	1910.	1911.
Tytam.....	338,160,000	313,850,000
Tytam Byewash.....	—	487,000
Tytam Intermediate.....	203,555,000	177,563,000
Pokfulum.....	4,890,000	29,380,000
Wong-nai-chung.....	6,114,000	1,801,000

Total..... 597,720,000 523,081,000

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District during the month of December.

	1909.	1910.
Consumption.....	141,107,000	180,676,000 gallons
Estimated population.....	209,610	211,410

Consumption per head per day..... 21.7 18.4 gallons

Constant supply in all districts during December 1909.

Intermittent supply by Rider Mains in Rider Main districts during December 1910.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1910.	1911.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir.....	21' 11" below	7' 3" below

STORAGE GALLONS.

	1910.	1911.
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir.....	239,708,000	281,175,000

Consumption of water in Kowloon during the month of December:—

	1909.	1910.
Consumption.....	24,040,000	23,760,000 gallons
Estimated population.....	90,500	95,300

Consumption per head per day..... 8.5 8.0 gallons

The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATHAM, Water Authority.

## Events Coming.

Wednesday, 11th January. Seamen's Institute, Annual General Meeting. Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Thursday, 12th January. Humphrey's Estate Extraordinary Meeting.

Friday, 13th January. Sale of Booth Sites, for Race Meeting, at Happy Valley.

Saturday, 14th January. United Services Club Dance at Kowloon School, 9 p.m.

Smoking Concert at the Water Police Station, Kowloon, 8.30 p.m.

Distribution of Prizes at Diocesan School.

Sunday, 15th January. Volunteer Field Day.

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EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICE, composed of excellently equipped Sleeping, Dining and 1st Class Cars, is operated between Dairen and Changchun four times a week in connection with the Trans-Siberian Express Trains and 1 with Dairen-Shanghai Direct Steamer Service by the S.S. "Kobe Maru" and "Sailko Maru" (each 2,877 tons) as follows:—

NORTH BOUND.

1st Class Rates	Shanghai (Steamer).....Lv.	Thurs.	Sun.
\$40	Dairen.....At.	Sat.	Tues.
	(S.M.R. Train).....Lv.	Sun.	Thurs.
Y14.95	Mukden.....At.	Mon.	Fri.
	.....Lv.	Wed.	Sat.
Y11.50	Changchun.....At.		
	.....Lv.		
R 9.60	Harbin (Russian Train).....Lv.		
	.....At.		

Connecting at Harbin with

State Express for Moscow

Wagon-Lits for Moscow

State Express for St. Petersburg

SOUTH BOUND.

Connecting at Harbin with				State Express from St. Petersburg.	State Express from Moscow.	Wagon-Lits from Moscow.	
R 9.60	Harbin (Russian Train).....Lv.	7.50 p.m.	Mon.	Wed.	Fri.		
	Changchun ( "						

Supplementary Charges on DAIREN-CHANGCHUN SERVICE.  
EXPRESS EXTRA FEE.....Y3.00 SLEEPING CAR SUPPLEMENT.....Y5.00

TICKET AGENCIES—The Company's railway and steamer tickets are obtainable at all the Agencies of the International Sleeping Car & Express Train Co., Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, and the Hamburg-America Line.

RAILWAY HOTELS—YAMATO HOTEL (Tel. Add.: "Yamato") at Dairen, Port Arthur, Mukden, Fushan and Changchun, all under the Company's management.

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY COMPANY,  
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THE BEST STEAMING COAL IN THE FAR EAST.

Output 3,000 tons per day.

Fresh stocks always on hand at Dairen; Newchwang and Tientsin Depots and also at Cheloo, Shanghai, Hongkong, Singapore and Penang.

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Wholesome,

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Shipping—Steamers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO'S

Royal Mail Steamship Line.

"EMPRESS LINE."

Between China, Japan and Europe via Canada and the United States, calling at Hongkong, Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver B.C.

The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 DAYS YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER, 12 DAYS HONGKONG TO VANCOUVER, SAVING 5 to 7 DAYS' OCEAN TRAVEL.

Proposed Sailings from Hongkong and St. John, N.B., &c. (Subject to alteration). Connecting with Royal Mail Atlantic Steamers.

From Hongkong.	From St. John.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" SATURDAY, JAN. 14TH.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" FRIDAY, FEB. 10TH.
"MONTEAGLE" WEDNESDAY, JAN. 25TH.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" FRIDAY, MAR. 10TH.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" SATURDAY, FEB. 11TH.	"EMPRESS OF IRELAND" FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, MAR. 11TH.	
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH.	
"MONTEAGLE" TUESDAY, APRIL 18TH.	

Each Trans-Pacific "Empress" connects at Vancouver with a Special Mail Express Train and at St. John, N.B., or Quebec with Atlantic Mail Steamers as shown above. The "Empress of Britain" and "Empress of Ireland" are magnificent vessels of 14,500 tons, Speed 20 Knots, and are regarded as second to none on the Atlantic.

All Steamers of the Company's Pacific and Atlantic Fleets are equipped with the Marconi wireless apparatus.

Passengers booked to all the principal points in Canada, the United States and Europe, also around the World.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, 1st Class, via Canadian-Atlantic-Port-or-New-York (including Meals and Berth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian Pacific direct line) 77/10/-

Passengers for Europe have the option of going forward by any Trans-Atlantic Line either from Canadian Ports or from New York or Boston.

SPECIAL THROUGH RATES—Special rates (First Class only) are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Consular Services, European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the service of the Governments of China and Japan, and the families. Full particulars of application from Agents.

Through Passengers are allowed Stop over privileges at the various points of interest en route.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE" carries only "One Class" of Saloon Passengers (termed Intermediate) the accommodation and commissariat being excellent in every way.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, Intermediate on Steamers and 1st Class on Canadian and American Railways.

Via Canadian Atlantic Port 77/10/-

Via New York 24/-

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to—

D. W. GRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent,

Corner Pedder Street and Praya (opposite Blake Pier).

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For Steamship On

SHANGHAI	THURSDAY, 12th Jan, 11th.
MANILA	LOONGSANG SATURDAY, 14th Jan, Noon.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL, FEBRUARY 21ST TO 27TH, 1911.

A Special Reduced Fare of \$50 for return Passengers will be issued for our sailings to Manila of the 11th and 18th February, available for 30 days from Date of issue. Passengers taking these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Chafoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LD.

Telephone No. 215, Hongkong, 11th January, 1911.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL.

HAIPHONG	"CHIBET"	11th Jan, 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHIBET"	12th " 4 P.M.
AMOI, NINGPO & CHINKIANG	"WUHU"	12th " 5 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	14th " Noon.
SAMARANG & SOURABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	14th " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	14th " Midday.
MANILA	"TAMING"	17th " 4 P.M.

Reduced Saloon Fares, single and return, to Manila and Australian Ports.

DIRECT SAILING TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUI."

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout.

FAHRS. Cargo booked through for all Australia, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS and TIENTSIN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms and Dining Saloon.

SHANGHAI LINE.

FAST SCHEDULE TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS (Anhui, Chienan, Linan, Chinkiang) with excellent passenger accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Staterooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

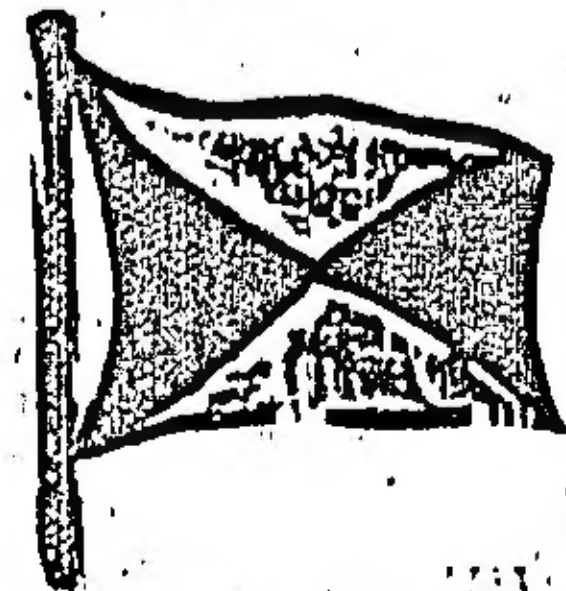
N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailing. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transshipment at Woosung.

Fares:—\$45 single, \$80 return.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Telephone No. 16, Hongkong, 11th January, 1911.



HONGKONG PHILIPPINES. PHILIPPINES STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
SAIRO	4000	E. Rice	MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan, 1911, at 4 P.M.
RUPI	4000	S. Crosby	MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

General Managers

11th Jan, 1911.

Shipping—Steamers

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA



(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1911
MARSHALLS, LONDON AND ANTWERP Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	ATSUTA MARU, Capt. Wm. Thompson, Tons 9700 HITACHI MARU, Capt. N. Mathieson, Tons 7000 MIYASAKI MARU, Capt. T. Mori, Tons 9300	WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 1st Feb., at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 15th Feb., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. J. Nagao, Tons 7000	SATURDAY, 28th Jan. From KOBE.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 7000 AWA MARU, Capt. S. Ishikawa, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 31st Jan., at Noon. TUESDAY, 18th Feb., at Noon.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	RIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000 KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 20th Jan., Noon. FRIDAY, 17th Feb., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. E. Comber, Tons 5000	TUESDAY, 17th January.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope, Tons 9300	THURSDAY, 19th Jan., at 11 A.M.

Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy. \* Cargo only. \* Carries deck passengers. † Omitting Passeng. \* Call at Genoa.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

SAILINGS AND PASSAGE RATES FROM HONGKONG.

To Marseilles and London via Suez Canal.

Steamers.	Tons	Leave Hongkong	RATES OF PASSAGE.
MIVASAKI MARU	9,000	15th Feb.	To London, per New Steamer
KITANO	9,000	1st March	1st class Single...Y550
IVO	7,000	15th "	" " " " " " " "
HIRANO	9,000	29th "	" " " " " " " "
TANGO	8,000	12th April	" " " " " " " "
KAMO	9,000	26th "	" " " " " " " "
AKI	7,000	10th May	" " " " " " " "
MISHIMA	9,000	24th "	" " " " " " " "

To Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, Wash. U.S.A.

Steamers.	Tons	Leave Hongkong	RATES OF PASSAGE.
AWA MARU	7,000	28th Feb.	To Pacific Coast Common Points
INABA	7,000	28th March	1st class Single...Y30
TAMBA	7,000	25th April	" " " " " " " "
AWA	7,000	23rd May	To London via New York 1st " " " " " " " "

With option of rail between calling ports in Japan.

Connecting with the GREAT NORTHERN and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS and Atlantic Steamers. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd class through passengers have the option of travelling by Rail.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply to

T. KUBOMOTO,

Manager.

SOCIETA ANONIMA NAZIONALE DI SERVIZI MARITIMI. SEDE IN ROMA.

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship

"CAPRI."

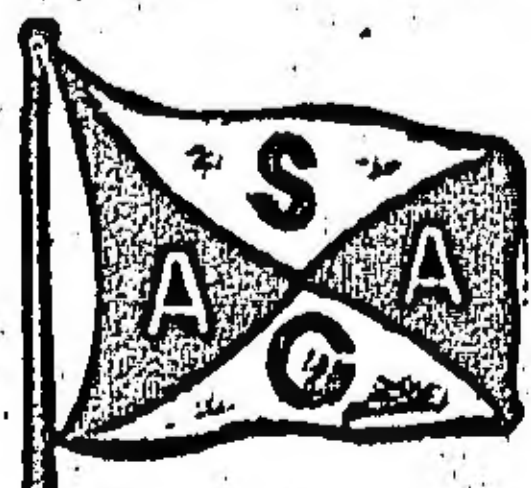
Captain Moresco, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th inst., at Noon.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1911.

HONGKONG—BOSTON AND NEW YORK.



AMERICAN-ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUZ CANAL. (With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

S.S. "INDRASAMHA" On or about 21st Jan, 1911.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1910.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, ORYON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, GOMTHERMAL, AMER-CAM and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"DELTA."

Captain B. W. H. Snow, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 21st January, 1911, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. China, 8,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. Delta, due in London on the 4th March, 1911.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1911.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, VIA PORTS AND SUZ CANAL. (With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK.

S.S. "SHIMOSA" On or about 27th Jan.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1911.

Shipping—Steamers.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, (Calling at Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"ALDENHAM."

Captain Grierson, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 21st inst., at Noon.

This new Steamer is especially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provision, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1911.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE."

Captain R. Hayes, will be despatched as above about 2nd February.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent accommodation afforded by this steamer at cheap rates. She is fitted throughout with electric light, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1910.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DELTA."

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London &c., ex s.s. Mantua.

From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's surveyors Messrs. GODDARD and DOUGLAS, at 9 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1911.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLARIQ."

FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1911.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ WALDMAR."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th of January, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th of January, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 20th of January, 1911, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.

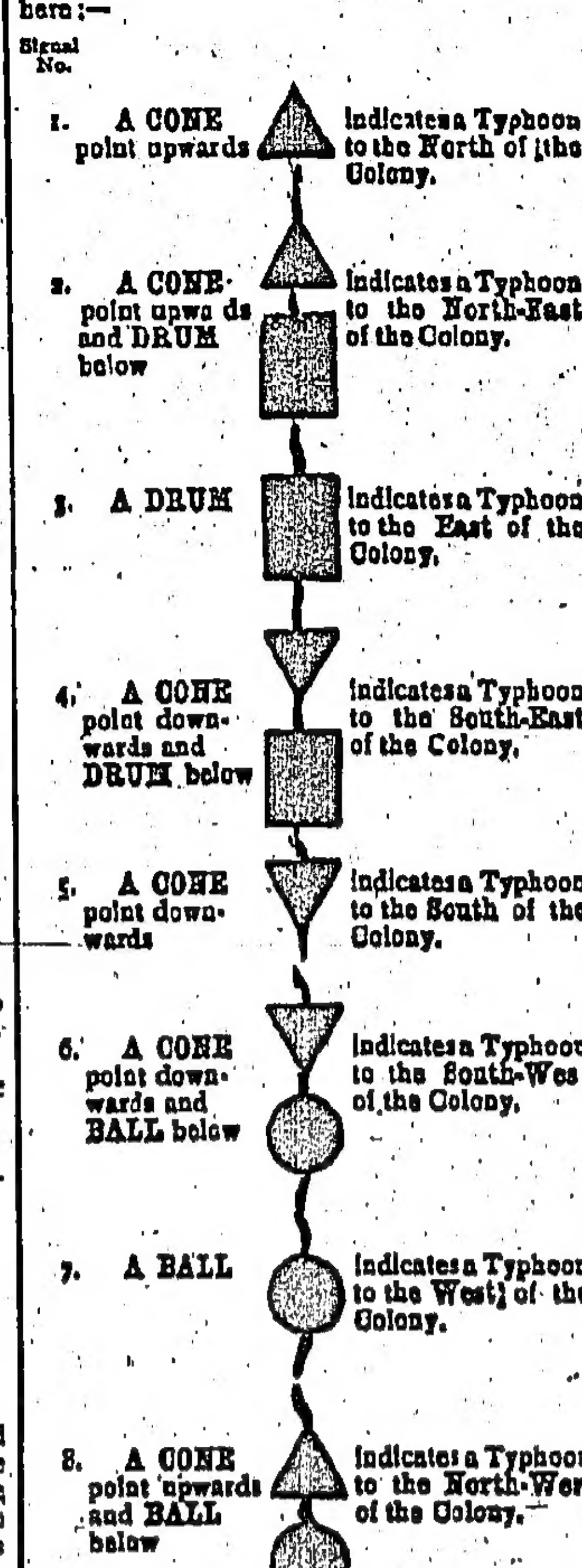
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1911.

WEATHER-FORCAST AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsi for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—



Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 100 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 100 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made by the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 100 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 100 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock. Aberdeen.







## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIS &amp; Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT		
<b>BANKS.</b>							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation .....	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$15,000,000 \$16,500,000	\$8,029 3 0	£2 for first half year ending 30.6.10 @ ex 1/4 = \$21.45	950 sellers 287 10 -
National Bank of China, Limited .....	99,975	27	26	\$4,000 \$3,000,000	\$30,558	\$2 (London 5/5) for 1909	\$80 buyers
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited .....	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	none	\$15 for 1909	\$185 sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited .....	10,000	25	25	Tls. 22,000 Tls. 308,444 Tls. 330,444	Tls. 205, 19	Final div. of 7 1/2 % for '09 making 15 % in all...	Tls. 355 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited .....	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$287,984	Final of \$20 per share, making in all \$50 per share for 1908 and an interim divid- end of \$30 per share for 1909	847 1/2
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$7,701 7/2	\$12 for year ending 31.12.08 and Interim of \$3 on account of 1909	210
<b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$438,406	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1908	\$121
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$426,218	\$7 for 1908	\$102 1/2
<b>SHIPPING.</b>							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$17,743 \$210,000 \$227,743	Dr. \$1,777	\$1 1/2 for 1906	\$7 1/2 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000	none	\$1 for year ending 30.6.1908	\$20 sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. ....	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$107,500 \$107,500 \$107,500	\$20,756	Dividend of \$1 1/2 for 30.6.10	\$30 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) Do. (Deferred) .....	60,000 60,000	25 25	25 25	\$118,100 \$118,100 \$118,100	15,161	3 1/2 % on Preferred shares only for 1908	\$55 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited .....	1,000,000	25	25	\$250,000 \$250,000 \$250,000	100,994	Final div. of 2 1/2 % per sh. (comp. 14) making in all 4 1/2 % per sh. for '09 & an int. div. of 1 1/2 % per sh. on acc. for '10	78 1/2 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$71,850 \$71,850 \$71,850	\$1,159	A dividend of 7 1/2 % for yr. ending 30.4. 1910 A bonus of 5 %	\$21
<b>REFINERIES.</b>							
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. ....	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000	Dr. \$7,090	\$5 for half year ending 30.6. 1910	\$124 sellers
Laoag Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. ....	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$125,891	\$5 for 1897	\$124 sellers
<b>MINEING.</b>							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd. ....	1,000,000	25	25	\$115,000 \$115,000 \$115,000	11,435	Final div. of 1 1/2 % for the year 1910 making 15 % (coupon No. 15)	Tls. 15
Hanwaters Mining Company .....	60,000	25	25	none	none	First year	Pa. 10
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited .....	200,000	25	25	\$4	\$6,583	\$1 per share 15th dividend	\$3 buyers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Co., Ltd. DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.	100,000	25	25	none	none	Final of Gold \$0.65 for 1909 in all G \$1.15	37 1/2
Fenwick (Gen.) & Co., Limited .....	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$25,975	Dr. \$2,460	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.09	\$5
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. ....	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$500,000 \$500,000 \$500,000	\$204,247	\$2 1/2 for 1909	\$54 buyers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd. ....	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$251,000 \$251,000 \$251,000	\$1,275	3 1/2 % for half year ended 30.6. 1909	\$53
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd. ....	Tls. 55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,25	Final of Tls. 3 1/2 making Tls. 5 in all for year 30.4. 1910	Tls. 68
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited .....	35,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 607,457 Tls. 607,457 Tls. 607,457	Tls. 9,222	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1910	Tls. 97 1/2
<b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. ....	35,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,000 Tls. 15,000 Tls. 15,000	Tls. 4,314	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.10	Tls. 97 sellers
Central Stores, Limited .....	50,123	\$15	\$15	\$15,000	\$24,061	8 1/2 % for 1909	\$21 sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited .....	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$10,000	\$1,277	\$3 on old shares \$1.50 on new shares for half year ending 30.6.10	\$100 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ....	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$350,000 \$350,000 \$350,000	\$7,911	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1910	\$63 buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited .....	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$25,000	\$269	45 cents for 1909	\$61 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited .....	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	none	\$2 1/2 for 1909	\$331 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited .....	75,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,225,045 Tls. 1,225,045 Tls. 1,225,045	Tls. 6,966	Interim of Tls. 1 for 1910	Tls. 100
West Point Building Company, Limited .....	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,958	Interim of \$1.80 for 1910	\$40 buyers
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>							
Kwo-Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. ....	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 250,000 Tls. 250,000 Tls. 250,000	15,000	Tls. 11 for year ending 31.10.09	Tls. 85
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited .....	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,000	\$9,558	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	\$41 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 7 1/2 for year ending 31.3.09	Tls. 46
Laoag-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. Say Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited .....	3,000 3,000	Tls. 100 Tls. 100	Tls. 100 Tls. 100	none Tls. 11,172	Tls. 4,529 Tls. 21,172	Tls. 6 for 1909 Tls. 15 for 1909	Tls. 48 Tls. 24 1/2
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited .....	8,604	25	25	\$1,500	\$248	15 % per share for 1909	38 sellers
China-Borneo Company, Limited .....	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$40,000	Nil.	60 cents for 1909	\$9
China Light and Power Company, Limited .....	50,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$50,242	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	95 cents buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ....	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000	\$1,508	80 cents for 1909	\$7 buyers
airy Farm Company, Limited .....	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$1,000	\$7,890	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.09	\$18 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited .....	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,000	\$7,370	Interim of 15 cents per share for 1910	\$12 sales & b.
H. Price & Company, Limited .....	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,000	\$670	14 per cent. vix. \$1.40 for 1909	\$12 sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited .....	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$11,798	A dividend of \$1.20 per share and a bonus of 10 cents per sh. for year end. 28.2.10	\$20
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited .....	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$150,000	\$12,662	Interim of \$1 per share for 1910	\$17 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$40,000	\$9,176	Interim of \$1 per share for 1910	Tls. 114
Manatapple or Mjja, Bosch on Landbowen plot in Langkat, Limited .....	25,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	Tls. 547,500 Tls. 547,500 Tls. 547,500	Tls. 216,682	3rd Interim dividend of Tls. 15 making in all Tls. 27 1/2 for 1910	\$19 sellers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited .....	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$30,000	\$3,014	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.10	\$16 sellers
Peak Tramways Company (new) .....	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	Pa. 18,640	None	\$5
Philippine Company, Limited .....	75,000	\$10	\$10	none	none	None	\$12 buyers
Shanghai-Sumat Tobacco Company, Limited .....	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 200,000	Tls. 5,450	No dividend this year	Tls. 102 1/2 b.
Societe des Papiers et Papeteries du Tonkin .....	15,200 Benefit shares	50 Halapong (National)	50 Halapong (National)	none none none	none none none	First year None	\$36 sellers \$300 Hongkong (currency)
South China Morning Post, Limited .....	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$31,095	None	\$25
Steam Laundry Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$25	\$5	none	\$27,66	10 % for year ending 31st May 1910	\$5 1/2 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,956	none	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	\$61 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$45,000	\$341	15 % per ordinary sh. for year ended 31.5.10	\$11 1/2 sellers
Watkins Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,541	35 cents for 1909	\$5 sellers
Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited .....	90,000	20	20	\$200,000 \$200,000 \$200,000	\$2,611	5 % for 1909	\$11 1/2 buyers
Weismann, Limited .....	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$15,250	\$67	10 % for year ending 31.7.10	\$12 buyers
William Powell, Limited .....	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	\$724	None	\$3 1/2

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